GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SLOW PROGRESS OF PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been very slow progress under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana in Uttaranchal during the last three financial years, i.e. 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the funds sought and utilised by the Uttaranchal Government during the above period;

(d) the details of roads and amounts sanctioned during the last three financial years indicating the date of sanctioning the amount, District-wise;

(e) the progress of each of these roads as on June 1, 2005; and

(f) the details of roads and amount sanctioned for the financial year 2005-06?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Uttaranchal has reported that lengthy and multistage process of transfer of forest land, limited working seasons, extreme weather conditions, non- availability of contractors with adequate capacity, excessive rains and landslides during monsoon causing damage to the roads, longer length of roads to be constructed for which only single working face for the machines is available, rocky mountainous stretches obstructing forward movement of machines and delay in the construction of connecting bridges are the main reasons for slow progress.

(c) to (e) Under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, funds are released to the States Phase-wise. The Ministry of Rural Development does not maintain district-wise information on road works and expenditure. Details of the funds released to Uttaranchal during the last three years and the utilisation reported by the State are as under: -

Year	Value of proposals (Rs. in crore)	Amount released (Rs. in crore)	Amount utilised upto June, 2005	Number of road works completed	Number of road approved works
Phase-II (2001-03)	140.41	140.41	65.89	92	53
Phase-III (2003-04)	59.53	0	0	52	0

The amounts sanctioned, with dates, are given below: -

Amount (Rs. in crore)	Date of sanction
60.00	13/3/2002
10.00	26/3/2002
70.41	5/3/2004

(f) Proposals, complete in all respects, for Phase IV and Phase V have not been received from the State Government.